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MARCH ROARING LIKE A

and Gales and Electrical

Storms Elsewhere.

BIG SLUMP IN MERCURY

at Lincoln, Neb.—Buildings

Damaged.

CHICAGO, March 2.-March is roaring

like a lion in several States to-night. Bliz-

igan, Minnesota, Wyoming, Nebraska and

mercury slumped, and elsewhere the wind

Lincoln, Neb., reports that two March

temperature records were broken in that

State to-day. At 1 o'clock this afternoon

in Lincoln the weather bureau thermom-

eter indicated 79 degrees, the highest tem-

perature for March of which there is rec-

ord. One hour later it had fallen 20 degrees

and at 7 o'clock to-night it was 16 above

zero, a fall in six hours of 63 degrees, a descent likewise without a precedent in the

State. Throughout the afternoon and night

the northwest. Reports from country

CHEYENNE, Wyo., March 2.-After

in the temperature of 30 degrees. The

the storm and a severe cold wave.

to St. Paul.

weather bureau predicts a continuance of

accompanied by a severe northeast gale.

It was the worst storm of the period, and

the railroads suffered great inconvenience.

HOUGHTON, Mich., March 2.- The wild-

est storm of the winter is raging to-night

in the copper district, with a neavy lan of snow. The storm commenced this morn-

electric roads. Almost all wires are down.

condition attached "subject to improve-

FROM THE ASHES

BALTIMORE RISING

PRESIDENT OF MORMON CHURCH AFFIRMS HE IS A BELIEVER IN POLYGAMY

Joseph D. Smith Tells Senators of Divine Revelations Which He Upholds.

"AN ANGEL IN BLACK"

Is Alleged to Have Commanded His Uncle to Adopt Plural Marriage Practice.

SMOOT CASE HEARING

Utah Senator's Seat at Stake-Mr. Beveridge One of the Cross-Examiners.

WASHINGTON, March 2,-An effort to air the innermost secrets of the Mormon Church was manifested in the first day's proceedings before the Senate committee on elections and privileges, which is investigating the protests against Reed Smoot retaining his seat as a senator from Utah. President Joseph D. Smith, the highest official of the church, was on the stand all day. He was questioned closely in regard to the principles of divine revelations. He said he adhered absolutely to all the teachings of the church in that regard and that he himself had been visited with divine inspirations from God directing him as to details in matters pertaining to the welfare of the church, though no angels had come to him as in the case of the revelation to his uncle, Joseph Smith, jr., the founder of the church. He subscribed to the standard While Sitting at Luncheon in a of authority for the church in relation to the revelation commanding polygamy as made known to the first president in a "an angel in black." He also said he believed in polygamy. The testimony was directed in a slight degree at Senator Smoot and no attempt was made the Mormon leader. President Smith was questioned in relation to polygamous relations of certain officials of the church beto the relevancy of such testimony.

ings, which means that court practices will be avoided. The protestants said they regarded this as a victory for them. The committee will hear practically all prosecution has to offer and determine for Itself what is competent testimony. The committee will hold two sessions a day. Quite a number of women were in at-

tendance to-day and watched the proceed-SMITH'S TESTIMONY.

When President Smith took the witness | Minot Savage, who escaped unhurt. stand he said, in reply to a question, that he was born in Missouri in 1838 and went to Utah in 1848. Questions directed to ascerin addition to the presidency of the church brought out the following list of concerns of which he is president: Zion Co-operative and Mercantile Company, with a capital stock of more than \$1,000,000; State Bank of Utah, Zion Savings Bank, Utah Sugar Company, Consolidated Wagon and Machine Company, Utah Light and Railway Company, Salt Lake & Los Angeles Railway Company, Salt Air Beach Company and Salt Lake Knitting Company. He said he was president of other small concerns, the names of which he could not recall, and that he is a director of the Union Pacific Railway Company, editor of the Improvementer and Juvenile Instructor and director or official of a number of mining compan-

A list of first presidency or twelve by Mr. Tayler and identified by Mr. Smith. The list included the name of Reed Smoot. Mr. Smith explained that the first presidency is the president of the church and two high priests or councilors and that the twelve apostles are next in authority The presidents are elected by the council and the apostles, he said, but he believed, and it is taught, that the presidents are really chosen by divine revelation and they are then endowed with the authority of the holy priesthood by authority direct from God. He said the apostles might elect their number in the event of vacancy, t that they would not go contrary to the

many thousands rejected the doctrine plural marriage. Do you mean that they ney declared against the doctrine?"

PRINCIPLE OF THE CHURCH.

"Have you ever received such a revelaon direct from God?" asked Mr. Taylor. "I never said I had received a revelation enism is God's divine truth," said Mr.

"How has God shown you that?" asked re accepted theory of the revelation of the inciple of polygamy to Joseph Smith, jr. aving that an angel in black had appeared nto him. He said that revelations had not ome to him in that form, but that he had sceived direct revelations from God by

mith said only those revelations to the esident which had been presented to the surch and accepted by the members were nding upon them. Mr. Overman wanted know what happened to those who did believe in the inspired revelations "Were they unchurched?" he asked. "hey unchurched themselves," was the

u prior to 1862, when the plural marthe church were declared by the hch to be constitutional, polygamy had practiced "in a limited way." ridge inquired concerning the reasons he line of questions concerning polygas he said he understood Mr. Smoot ot charged with being a polygamist. Taylor explained that he wanted to that the demands of the church are that it might affect Mr. Smoot's al-

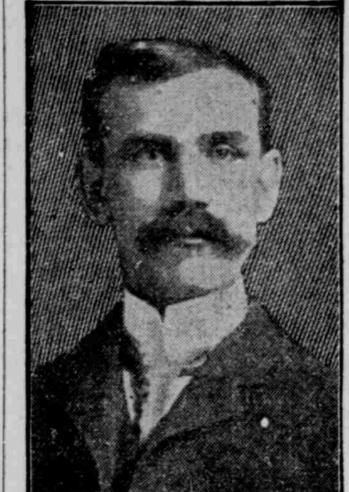
nce to the United States. BELIEVES IN POLYGAMY.

"I believe plural marriages to be

Mr. Smith said that it was true. He also nervous diseases, who testified concerning aid that the subsequent manifesto declar- the sanity of Guiteau, the assassin of Pres- in this district was commenced.

Mr. Burrows directed a number of questions to Mr. Smith bearing upon the conistency of Mr. Smith's answers relating

to his belief in and acceptance of the diine revelations. He said: "I understand ou to say you believe in the revelation of Joseph Smith, jr., in regard to polygamy and still think it is right?"



REED SMOOT. Whose right to sit in the United States Senate is questioned by anti-Mormons.

STEEL SKELETON OF BIG HOTEL COLLAPSES AND KILLS AND MAIMS MANY

Fourteen Persons Are Believed to of Tuesday's convention on a smaller scale. Be Dead, Several Are Missing and a Score Hurt.

MRS. STORRS IS MANGLED

Hotel, but Her Companion, Mrs. Savage, Escapes.

NEW YORK, March 2.-Fourteen persons are believed to have been killed, of whom by the defense to curtail the admission of the bodies of only seven have been recovered, about a score injured and several are missing through the collapse to-day of the steel skeleton of the Hotel Darlington, fore the manifesto of 1890. The attorneys a twelve-story apartment house in course the last resort has been exhausted. then objected and much time was devoted of construction at 57 West Forty-sixth street. The steel framework had been The committee went into executive ses- | erected as far as the eleventh floor, and the sion and after a full discussion, determined structure was swarming with iron workers, and operators. It is believed that in reto allow the utmost latitude to the hear- masons and laborers when, without an instant's warning, the upper floor sagged and collapsed, and the whole structure fell with a crash that was heard for blocks and shook

> A portion of the steel frame fell upon the rear of the Hotel Patterson, on West Fortyseventh street, crushing in the wall of the dining room and killing Mrs. Ella Lacey Storrs, the wife of Frank Storrs, a wealthy resident of Rye, as she was sitting at luncheon with the wife of the Rev. Dr.

all the buildings in the vicinity.

The other bodies so far recovered are those of Frederick Morrills, foreman of the Roebling Constructing Company; Farrell S tain the business occupations of Mr. Smith | Fagin, a derrick man, and five unidentified men, apparently laborers.

The more seriously injured, with one exception, were laborers on the building Among those missing is Frank J. Allison of the Allison Realty Company, the builders of the hotel, who is known to have been

in the building when it fell. FLOORS OVERLOADED. The cause of the disaster generally accepted is the overloading of the floors. Foreman James Halpin, in charge of the iron workers, stated that there was a large quantity of cement and other building material on the fifth floor and that on the other floor were eighty-three iron beams which were to have been used in constructing the remaining floors of the building. apostles governing the church was read That criminal carelessness is chargeable to somebody is shown by the fact that the building department had placed repeated "violations" against the building, the last the front walls and the floor beams were sible for the construction of the building great secrecy behind closed doors and no went ahead regardless of consequences,

the firm of Neville & Bagge, architects, and called for the construction of a firewer practiced plural marriages or that proof building twelve stories in height with a frontage of fifty-five feet and a depth of 100, of steel, brick and stone of a sylvania miners. height unfinished of 149 feet. The approximate building cost, exclusive of plot, was

Adjoining the collapsed building on the west is the four-story brown-stone residence of Harold Brown. Some of the huge iron beams struck the side of the house and stove holes in the wall and roof and dislodged a part of the brown-stone front, which was thrown to the street. The occu pants escaped uninjured. On the east side is a house occupied by A. Walpole Cragie as a school for boys. The pupils had gone home to luncheon a few minutes before the crash occurred. Some of the beams struck xcept that God has shown me that Mor- the house, tearing off a portion of the roo and smashing holes in the side walls, Mrs. Storrs, whose husband is in London. England, was sitting at luncheon with Mrs. Savage when the crash came, and she and Meier, the waiter, were instantly buried under the debris of the roof

ing struck, but her skirt was pinned to the floor by a mass of fallen bricks. Mrs. Storrs was breathing when extricated, but died within a few minutes. The waiter is believed to be fatally injured. The other occupants of the dining-room escaped un-The Hotel Patterson was shaken to its foundations, and the rear fire escapes on

several stories were torn from their fastenings, and all the windows on these floors were smashed. The occupants of these jury in the conspiracy case against Sherapartments hastily quitted the building. | man Parker and Thomas Foster, miners' The Rev. Minot J. Savage was ill in his apartments in the front of the hotel, at the At 11 o'clock to-night the contractor in | Creek passenger train, to-night rendered a charge of the wreck work said that his verdict of not guilty after brief delibera-

men had discovered seven bodies, and that two were known to be pinned under the the verdict was announced. wreckage on the east side of the building. Patrick Murphy, the engineer of the leader, who was jointly accused of comhoisting engine, and six workmen were ar- plicity in the alleged conspiracy, was orrested and held as witnesses.

VAN DINE NOT INSANE.

reply to another question, Mr. Smith Testimony of Experts in the Car-Barn Bandits' Trial.

CHICAGO, March 2 .- Harvey Van Dine, trial for murder was declared sane to-day by Dr. James G. Kiernan, a specialist in

Two other experts in neurology also testi- | SUICIDE OF MUNCIE mother of Van Dine testified in opening his defense that several brothers and sisters of Van Dine's father were insane. The State to-day placed on the stand Dennis Spear, who testified that Mr. Van was the cousin of the defendant's grand-(CONTINUED ON PAGE 5, COL. L) | may be begun to-morrow.

MINERS AND OPERATORS CONTINUE IN DEADLOCK, WITH NO RIFT IN CLOUDS

Signs Point Ominously to a Gigantic Strike Affecting the Coal Industry.

BOTH SIDES STAND SOLID

Propositions Voted Down as Fast as They Are Advanced for Consideration.

SUB-SCALE COMMITTEE

That Body Will Again Wrestle with the Situation-Against a Compromise.

Unable to make any advance towards adjusting the wage-scale differences now holding the operators and miners of the four competive States apart and pointing ominously to a gigantic strike in the mining industry, the joint scale committee adjourned at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, referring the counter demands of the two sides to the subscale committee. The situation is at a standstill, the meeting of the committee yesterday being but a repetition The subscale committee is composed of two miners and two operators from each of the four competitive States, one-half the number of the scale committee. It will meet this morning at 10 o'clock at the Claypool and little short of a miracle, it seems, can bring the two factions together on an acceptable wage scale to go into effect for one year beginning April 1.

There will be no meeting of the convention to-day as had been announced. The call for a reconvention will be given by the subscale committee, probably this afternoon or to-morrow morning. REACHING A CLIMAX.

The critical issue is now narrowing down

to a climax and unless the subscale committee is able to devise a method of bringing the miners and operators together The failure of the scale committee to throw even a ray of light on the critical situation blights the hopes of both miners ferring the question to the subscale com-

mittee the culmination of the crisis is but being prolonged. Such action, however, was the only thing left for the scale committee to take, as the representatives of both the miners and the operators refused to make any overtures except those presented at the convention Tuesday. W. D. Ryan, chairman of the scale committee, said last night, after the adjournment of the meeting: "From the way things look to-night I can see no way out of the deadlock but a strike."

"Will the miners accept a compromise "The miners will accept no compromise Besides, the operators have not said anything about a compromise.'

BOTH SIDES FIRM. Although scheduled to convene at o'clock yesterday morning, the scale committee did not meet until 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. It was in session three hours, during which the miners again presented their demands embodied in the resolutions read by President Mitchell at the convention and the operators held forth the substitute of Mr. Robbins, asking for a 15 per cent. reduction. Against the miners' propositions the operators voted solidly and the miners did the same on the operators' demands. Arguments, somewhat heated, for and against the counter de-mands were continued by Mr. Robbins and Mr. Mitchell and others among the miners and operators, but they failed to bring about a recession from either side. Mr. Mitchell, Vice President Lewis and Secretary Wilson, of the United Mine Workers. who are admitted to the meetings of the scale committee, had no votes on the issues and consequently the deadlock continued. The subscale committee consists of sixteen members, eight miners and eight operators, with the three national officers of the United Mine Workers allowed a voice, seen by either miners or operators in referring the issue to the subscale committee, it was stated last night that the members of this committee can go more into an analysis of the situation by unfolding statistics that or to the scale committee. The meetings of the subscale committee are held with records of the proceedings are kept.

The following operators and miners constitute the subscale committee: Frank L. Robbins and G. W. Schluederberg, of the Pennsylvania operators; Patrick Dolan and William Dodds, of the Penn-

J. H. Winder and H. L. Chapman, of the Ohio operators; W. H. Haskins and D. H. Sullivan, of the Ohio miners. W. S. Bogle and James McClelland, of the Indiana operators; George Hargrove and William Wilson, of the Indiana miners. H. N. Taylor and W. F. Lukins, of the Illinois operators, and Thomas Reynolds and W. D. Ryan, of the Illinois miners. President John Mitchell was seen at the Claypool last night, and in reply to the

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Conspiracy to Wreck a Train,

Found Not Guilty.

Immediately after the announcement of

the verdict to-day the district attorney

nollied the case against Sherman Parker,

W. F. Davis and H. H. McKinley, in which

they were charged with the overt act of

train wrecking. While the jury was absent

from the courtroom the district attorney

also nollied the cases against Steve Adams,

W. F. Davis and Charles G. Rennison, all

inion leaders, the latter being president of

charging them with the murder of Melvin

ACQUITTAL OF LEADERS

OFFICER AND CAPTIVE OF COLORADO MINERS MANACLED TOGETHER

of rebuilding the area recently burned.

and walls. Mrs. Savage barely escaped be- Parker and Thomas, 'Accused of Key Broke in the Lock-Marion H. B. Gordon Apprehended While Sergeant Sat Up All Night to Keep Out of Jail.

CRIPPLE CREEK, Col., March 2 .- The UNION CITY, Ind., March 2 .- The sertaking a prisoner from Dayton to Marion, W. F. Davis, also a prominent union sergeant was forced to maintain his role of Siamese twin with his prisoner dered discharged by Judge Lewis several

The latter could not be placed in jail unanxiety and gloom on the young prisoner's face was supplanted by a broad grin.

BANKS SWINDLED ALL OVER THE COUNTRY

Becks and Charles H. McCormick, who CINCINNATI, March 2.-It is said that were killed by an explosion in the Vindicator mine, shortly after the miners' strike Gordon, arrested in Portland, Ind., and R. E. Knox, who was arrested at Columbus to-day, are members of a gang who have raised and passed checks aggregating thousands of dollars throughout the country in the past few weeks. The men were discov-MUNCIE, Ind., March 2 .- Placing a shot-Muncie and then to Portland by Detectives gun en a table in his office, then sitting Crim and Kincald. Knox left Muncie for Dine had no brothers or sisters and that down in front of it and deliberately pulling | Columbus last Monday and was followed the only trace of insanity in the family the trigger, Jere D. Truitt, a prominent by Detective Crim when arrested there. business man of Muncle and a leading Elk, Gordon is sixty-three and Knox forty-five

LARGE AND TOLERANT LION IN SEVERAL STATES AUDIENCE GREETS PATTI

INDIANA DEMOCRACY:-"You can lead a mule to drink, but you can't give him the water-cure the third time."

Blizzards in the North and West, Indianapolis People Evince Friendly Spirit at Tomlinson Hall.

LAST FAREWELL"

Drop of 63 Degrees in Six Hours | Song Written by Charles K. Harris | Contests Will Be Waged in Courts | ever, were not yet occupied by the enemy on the Programme—The Diva's Voice.

The audience was large that assembled at Tomlinson Hall last night to greet Madame greatest singer, and an audience that was elsewhere. The weather to-day was very disposed to be extremely friendly. The eccentric. At some points there was almost name of Patti has been one to conjure with summer heat, at others snow fell and the for many years, and the appearance of the who could not be induced to visit these a garnishee attachment. places under other circumstances. Last night's audience was made up of all kinds old-timers who wished to revive happy memories of other years, people who were ; drawn to the entertainment more out of curiosity than for any other reason. those who wanted to be present just in order

to say that they had "heard Patti." a tremendous gale has been blowing from towns in Nebraska show damage to small description, swept forth in her queenly buildings, wind mills and plate glass store splendor at the end of the first half of the programme and bowed her acknowledgments winter which has broken all records for train of her dress caught on something or warmth and absence of storms, southeastother as she started through the doorway ern Wyoming is in the grasp of a severe eading to the stage (Tomlinson Hall is blizzard, which started after a sudden drop noted for its many rough edges), and there came near being a tragic incident at the very outset. But the planist, Signor Sapio, came to the rescue, and nothing more seri-DULUTH, Minn., March 2.-Business was ous than the tearing of some lace resulted. practically suspended in Duluth to-day on Madame Patti's face shows her age: the account of a heavy snowstorm, which was carefully applied rouge cannot hide the ravages of time; but her figure is graceful as of yore, and she still presents a striking stage presence. She made two appearances It required four engines to get the Northon the programme and sang four numbersern Pacific limited train started on its way Mozart's aria, "Voi che Sapete," from "Le Nozze di Figaro," the ever-popular "Jewel ASHLAND, Wis., March 2.-The city of Song," from Gounod's "Faust," her best-Ashland is practically snowbound after a beloved favorite, "Home, Sweet Home," and twelve-hour storm. Every street car is a song called "Her Last Farewell," written by that distinguished American composer, tied up. The city schools closed at noon, and many of the smaller children experi- Charles K. Harris, the man who is reenced great difficulty in reaching their sponsible for the classic gems, "After the Ball," "Break the News to Mother" and

"Hello, Central. Give Me Heaven." RATHER PATHETIC. sung as well as could have been expected, ing, and threatens to block all steam and with something of the deep feeling that It is also said that the name of Vera Marlad in the bygone days. The "Last Fare-BALTIMORE, March 2.-The first permits for the erection of new buildings within turn engagements in the larger cities had been canceled. Chicago and Philadelphia could not and would not listen to that song a second time and small blame to them! It ments by the city" and mark the beginning

(CONTINUED ON PAGE 7, COL. 6.) ARREST OF AN ALLEGED FORGER AT PORTLAND

Trying to Cash a Check Raised from \$5 to \$1,500.

OTHER CHARGES NOLLIED PRISONER ENJOYED IT HE HAD ANOTHER CHECK

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. PORTLAND, Ind., March 2.-H. B. Gordon, an alleged forger, was arrested in this the Citizens' Bank a \$1,500 cashier's check on the bank of Green Brier, Lewisburg, W. kerton detectives and Police Officer Kincaid, of Cincinnati, were lying in wait. Gordon was called back, and Detective Charlesworth told him the check was a forgery, and that it had been raised from \$5 to \$1,500,

Chief of Police Stephens, of this city, had been called in the meantime and Gordon was placed under arrest. Under his hat band was found another check, which had been raised from \$5 to \$5,000. Gordon had been working in conjunction with Robert J. Knox, better known as "Jim, the Penman," who had done the check raising. Gordon had been negotiating a deal with local oil brokers and played the part of a millionaire. He presented the check, intending thus to secure the money at the bank in order to pay them \$400 and would thus have netted \$1,100 on the check. The Pinkertons had shadowed him the past three weeks at the behest of the

American Bankers' Association. Knox was

arrested at Columbus to-day.

Arrested for Altering a Check. COLUMBUS, O., March 2.-Assistant nati, this afternoon arrested Robert J. Knox at the Neil House on a warrant from Muncie, Ind., charging him with raising a check from \$15 to \$1,500. Knox is said to Stillwell finally captured it for \$270. The

PATTI'S TREASURER KEPT BUSY WITH CONSTABLES

BRYANISM

FREE SILVER

K.ev. PLATFORM

a Garnishee Suits Galore Are Instituted by Printing Houses for Their Bills.

CLAIMS ARE NOT DODGED

Over Mispelled Words and Damaged Reputations.

While Madame Patti was entertaining a large audience last night, Frank McKeige, zards are reported from Wisconsin, Mich- Adelina Patti, for many years the world's treasurer of the company, was kept busy wrestling with a number of creditors who insisted that their bills be given immediate

The first of Mr. McKiege's troubles began diva in an opera house or concert hall has late yesterday afternoon, when he, as treasshrieked, rain fell, thunder pealed and light- always attracted many hundreds of persons | urer of the company, was made a party to

The Free Press Company, of Detroit. served an attachment upon Robert Grau, of people-fashionable folk, music lovers, incorporated, Frank McKeige, treasurer, W. L. Gavin, and the Starr Piano Company, and Mrs. Robert L. Talbott. W. L. Gavin and the Starr Piano Company were made defendants to the suit because of their connection with the company as local ticket agent and headquarters for the sale of tickets. Forty-eight dollars was the amount found in the possession of Mr. Gavin from the sale of tickets and this was garnisheed. Temporary hearing was waived to the applauding crowd. The magnificent | and the date of the trial fixed for March 14 in the Superior Court.

W. B. Fish, for the Sentinel Printing Company, also served an attachment upon Mr. McKeige, as treasurer, for a bill of \$36.75. The attachment was first served upon W. L. Gavin, who had charge of the sale of box tickets, but no money was found there and it was claimed that all had been turned over to the treasurer, who, however, disclaimed having possession of any of the receipts whatever. Mr. McKeige went voluntarily before Justice Smock and waived hearing until this afternoon. In the garnishee attachment issued by the Detroit Free Press Company it is claimed that Robert Grau and the defendants mentioned owe for posters and other advertising matter, \$275. Mr. McKeige said to the Journal last night that the bill, in a way, was good, but payment on it was being withheld because of certain discrepancles and errors made in the printing. It is claimed that on the posters several ham was misquoted, making it read Claude F. Cunningham instead of Claude A. Cun-Virgo was printed as Wilfred Vrigo.

golies was printed as Vera Margoles. For these discrepancies Mr. McKeige holds that now most needed. he is not liable for the full amount of the well" was pathetic-but not in the way its | bill and will contest it before making any pany, Mme. Patti's treasurer insists that he has been charged exorbitant prices because he is representing Madame Patti. He insists that the same work that was previously done for Nordica and the "Messiah' which were recently given in Indianapolis

was done for practically half. The time for

Mr. McKeige's hearing in Justice Smock's

PROBABLE SUICIDE ON A CREEK BRIDGE

court was set for 3 p. m. to-day.

Pistol Shot Followed by Splash in the Water in the Night at Evansville.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. EVANSVILLE, Ind., March 2.-Late tonight James Johnson, a shoemaker, living shot on a bridge spanning the creek. As he went toward the bridge he heard a splash

ities, and they went to the bridge and made an investigation and found human blood and brains on the bridge. Pigeon creek, at the bridge, is about fifteen feet high, and the officers can make no further investigation until in the morning. The creek will be dragged.

ANDERSON MILESTONE OF PROGRESS IS SET

First Steps Taken to Push the City Toward the Mark of 50,000 Population.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. ANDERSON, Ind., March 2.-Fifteen hundred persons gathered at the Grand Opera made by George F. McCulloch, Mayor Forkner and Ralph Clark, C. L. Herry and Governor Durbin were unable to be

The first official button, bound in gold was sold at auction by Horace C. Stillwell. Quite a bit of competition arose over the coveted bit of celluloid, and Thomas N. father. It is possible that the arguments ended his life this morning. No cause is years of age. Both are said to be from New | be a noted forger and goes under the name | movement will be pushed forward from this | may be begun to-morrow.

TELEGRAPH OFFICES AT ANJU AND YONG-PYON SEIZED BY RUSSIANS

District Governor Imprisoned and All His Official Papers Confiscated.

AN ARMY AT LIAO-YANG

Russians Have Concentrated There and Also Have 2,000 Soldiers at Antung.

YALU RIVER IS DEAD LINE

Major Pflug's Reports to St. Petersburg on the Movements of Japanese.

TOKIO, March 2.-It has been learned here that the Russians have occupied the telegraph offices at Anju and Yong-Pyon, north of Ping-Yang. They have imprisoned the district governor and have confiscated official papers. The Russian force near Anju numbers only about forty men. The main Russian force is concentrated at Liao-Yang. The Russians near Antung aggregate 2,000. No important engagement is expected south of the Yalu river, which, it is believed, the Russians will make their main line of defense.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 2.-Major Pflug, Viceroy Alexieff's chief of staff, sends in the following telegram, dated March 2: "According to additional information which has reached me our patrols. having passed the night twelve versts (eight miles) from Ping-Yang, approached that town on the morning of Feb. 29. They were closely pressing a Japanese patrol of seven officers. Lieutenant Lonchakoff attacked this patrol with three Cossacks, forcing it to retreat at a gallop toward the gates of the town. The presence of our patrols near Ping-Yang caused great alarm and soon the enemy's sharpshooters manned the wall and towers and opened fire, expecting an attack. According to the report our patrols approached within 700 paces of the town, which they found to be surrounded by both old and new ramparts. These, howand it is supposed that the Japanese have not more than 1,000 men in Ping-Yang."

Another official dispatch received from Major General Pflug, Viceroy Alexieff's chief of staff, dated March' 2 says: "According to the reports of our patrols to Ping-Tang and on the road to Gensan (Wonsan) there were no signs of the enemy. Ping-Yang has been occupied by 6,000 Japanese, who include 200 cavalrymen. No particulars have been obtained concerning artillery. It has been learned that the Japanese bringing by sea from Fusan to Chemulpo (on Ping-Yang inlet), whence they come to Ping-Yang. Between 1,000 and 2,000 Korean troops have been sent to Ping-Yang from Seoul. Our patrels on Feb. 28 were within twelve versts (eight, miles), of Ping-Yang and report that the Japanese have fortified the town. The

enemy's troops are arriving daily. "At Port Arthur and in Manchuria all is

"According to Korean reports a detachment of 2,500 Japanese, without artillery, anded at Songchen (Hueng-Seng, north of Cape Bruat), and on Feb. 19 marched towards southern Manchuria.

"There have been heavy snowfalls at Port Arthur and in Manchuria recently. At Port Arthur there were ten degrees of frost and Vladivostok had a heavy snowstorm." WASHINGTON, March 2.-The landing

in force of the Japanese on the Liao-Tung peninsula, and the beginning of the land investment of Port Arthur, will not begin for a fortnight, according to advices received here from what are believed to be reliable sources. It was expected the attack on the fortress would take place yesterday or today, but these later advices, without explaining the reason for the delay, show that there has been a change in the original plans. Army officers here think the Japanese have decided that with the railroad connecting Port Arthur with the outside false impression as to the character and world cut, thus preventing supplies from putation of some of the artists. Mr. Mc- reaching the place, two weeks' privation will render the final assault easier. Moreover, as Port Arthur can safely be left as it ningham, and that the name of Wilfrid is for the time being, the Japanese troops may be employed instead in northern Korea, and near the Yalu river, where they are

PARIS, March 3.-In a dispatch from Harbin, Manchuria, a correspondent of Matin says it is rumored that the Chinese generals Ma and Thiang have asked perhostilities the Japanese wanted to land troops at a point near Shan-Hai-Kwan, and that the Chinese prevented them. Liao-Yang, between Mukden and New-Chwang, is becoming the nucleus of an important Russian army. Surprise is expressed at Harbin that the Japanese have not attacked Dainy, and it is believed that they abstained from fear of the extensive submarine defenses there. Passengers arriving here by the last regular train from Port Arthur say that town was quiet. Large numbers of alleged Chinese pilgrims are assembling along the Mongolian frontier of Manchuria, and General Naderoff is watching their movements.'

RUSSIANS ATTACKED BY CHINESE BANDITS

LONDON, March 3 .- Hardly a word of news from the seat of war, with the exception of the Russian official dispatches, s published here this morning, and it now seems clear that the story in the Morning Telegraph, two days ago, of a bembardment of Port Arthur by the Japanese on Feb. 29, is nothing more than a re-echo of

From Yin Kow comes an unconfirmed report that 500 bandits, armed with modern rifles, have attacked a Russian post to the was severe fighting, and both sides lost heavily. This report is discredited at Yin Kow, but if it is true, it indicates that a serious danger is confronting Russia in these well-armed brigand bands. According to the Daily Mail account of the affair, six Japanese were found among the bandits killed. This would tend to show that the Japanese are organizing the bands. Reports received here from Tokio declare that Japan has granted permission for fiftyhree foreign newspaper correspondents to accompany the Japanese forces. Seventeen of these correspondents are American. The date of their departure has not been fixed. A mile and a quarter of the Siberian railroad, according to the Tokio reports, has been destroyed in the Ninguta district, between Vladivostok and Harbin. Heart-rending stories are appearing in the English newspapers of the sufferings of refugees from Port Arthur on the train ourney to European Russia It is bitterly cold and there is a searcity of food and water. Several children have been suffocated under the rugs and shawla with which they were covered in attempts

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